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Applicant: Tadimitsu KISHIMOTO, *et al.*

Title: CHRONIC RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS THERAPY CONTAINING IL-6
ANTAGONIST AS EFFECTIVE COMPONENT

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Advisory Action mailed on June 5, 2002, Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's statement that the deposit declaration is defective because the declaration does not state the irrevocable removal of all restrictions to accessibility of the hybridoma as is required. A revised declaration incorporating the required language will be submitted shortly.

Respectfully submitted,

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